

GEORGE H. & ELLA M. RODGERS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

NEWSLETTER

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CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

by Betsy Martel

**Just Around The Corner
Is....
Boo!, Halloween**

**Little Goblin's Fair
Friday, October 30
10 a.m.-12 p.m.**

Little goblins of all ages are invited! We will have crafts stories and treats!

Call Rodgers Memorial Library for more information at 603-886-6030, extension 4519.

Summer Reading Program

This summer 361 children participated in the summer reading program! The kids read 2,950 hours!

Thank you to all the 2009 Summer Reading Program contributors!! (See HLN of September 18, 2009, p.4)

Fall Programs

Lullaby Lapsit: ages birth- 23 months: Thursdays 10:30 a.m.

Toddler Time: age 2: Thursdays 9:30 a.m.

Story Time: ages 3-5: Monday 10:00 a.m., Tuesday 10:00 a.m., Tuesday 6:00 p.m. **OR** Thursday 1:00 p.m.

Book Bunch: grades k-3: Monday 3:30 p.m.

Don't Judge a Book by its Cover Gang: grades 4 & 5: Wednesday 3:30 p.m.

Homeschool Small Adventures: ages 3-6: Wednesday 10:00 a.m.

Homeschool Story Explorers: ages 7-12: Wednesday 10:00 a.m.

Miss Megan's Craft Night: ages 5-12: Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

Crazy Craft Days: Saturday: all day while supplies last (no registration required).

*Check out our Children's web page: <http://www.rodgerslibrary.org/index.php/children>

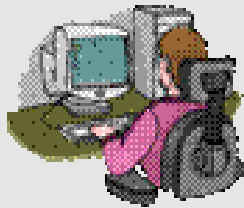
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWS

Friends Of The Library Book Sale

The Friends of the Library book sale *Secondhand Prose* will take place Sunday, October 11 from 12-3 p.m. in the former Children's Room in the basement of the Hills Memorial Library building at 18 Library Street. Books for adults and children, videos, CDs and more will be available. Most hardbacks are \$1 and paperbacks 50 cents.

The regular book sale hours and location are the same as above, every 2nd Sunday. Friends of the Library members enjoy access to the sale at 11 a.m. Membership applications for Friends of the Library are available at the book sale and at the Rodgers Memorial Library.

Free Fall Computer Workshops



Pre-register in person or call 886-6030, extension 4518 or 4522. (Ψ means mouse and keyboarding skills are needed for workshop.)

October 7, Wednesday Ψ

*Introduction to Microsoft Excel
7 p.m.*

October 15, Thursday Ψ

*Genealogy
10:30 a.m.*

October 20, Thursday Ψ

*Introduction to E-mail
2 sessions: Limit 4 per session
10-11 a.m. ; 11-12 a.m.*

October 26 Thursday Ψ

Genealogy

REFERENCE & INFORMATION DEPARTMENT

by Gayle St. Cyr

Family History Month

October is designated as *Family History Month* and more than 80 million Americans are believed to be actively searching for more information about their ancestors. *Family History Month* encourages people to discover their heritage and learn about what life was like for the generations that came before us. Start planning your own *Family History Month* and join us as the Rodgers Library hosts a series of free genealogy workshops on a variety of topics throughout the month. Sessions offered are for those just beginning to map their family tree, as well as lifetime enthusiasts.

If you have been curious about your family tree, but just aren't sure where to start, or if you have begun your family research and reached a snag, then you don't have anymore excuses. Take a trip back in time, start planning your own *Family History Month* and join us at Rodgers Memorial Library for some great ways to explore your ancestors.

Introduction To Family Research

**October 7 – 7:00 p.m. and
October 14 - 1:00 p.m.**

Richard "Rich" Guilmette gives an introduction to the beginning elements of genealogy research and an overview of the basic documents and resources used in tracing your family history. Learn how to use Family Group Sheets, Ancestor Charts and Census to find your ancestors.

Creating Your Family History Book

**October 13 – 1:30 p.m. and
October 20 – 7:00 p.m.**



Join Joanne Burns as she displays and presents her own Family History Book and offers instruction and advice on creating your own book using *Family Tree Maker* and *FaceBook*.

Finding & Delving Into Family Records

**October 22 – 1:00 p.m. and
October 29 7:00 p.m.**

Janice Conway will help us take a closer look at more primary and secondary records. Learn more ways we can find and use marriage, death, mortuary, funeral and other records.

Online Genealogy Databases

**October 15 – 10:30 a.m. and
October 26 – 7:00 p.m.**

Learn how to use the three subscription databases available at the Rodgers Memorial Library. These websites, *Ancestry.com*, *Heritage Quest* and *New England Ancestors* are available for use by anyone at the library. Hudson card holders may also access Heritage Quest at home.

For more information and pre-registration, call Reference Department, 886-6030, X 4522.

DIRECTOR'S DESK

by Toni Weller

Newsletter

Publication Intervals

We are considering switching to a bi-monthly or quarterly newsletter calendar. As a test run we issue a November/December newsletter that lists programming and newsy information. We plan to list more information on our website as well. We will send out the newsletter via e-mail as always. Please sign up to receive it via e-mail or update your e-mail address if necessary. We have some great programs coming up, and we would hate for you to miss an opportunity to attend.

Looking For Hobbyists

Now that we are in a new building we have more space to offer interesting exhibits for our patrons to peruse. The library is looking for people with a hobby or special interest that might share collectibles to put on exhibit in one of our locked exhibit cases -- either the lobby or the Children's Department. Please contact Director Weller at 886-6030 x4511 or the Reference Desk staff if you are willing to share. Just to start you thinking, we have seen small library exhibits, such as matchbooks, trains, Barbie dolls, (retired), Matchbox cars, stamps, coins, lap quilts, paper weights, toy soldiers, vintage costume jewelry, and others.

In the future we will be looking for local artists to exhibit at the Library also.

In The Spotlight



Downloadable Audiobooks For iPods

Many New Hampshire Downloadable Audiobooks (NHDA) are now available for the iPod, iPod Touch, and iPhones. The NHDA service lets you download audiobooks to your PC or Mac. Then you either listen to them on your computer or transfer

them to MP3 players, like iPods and, in some cases, CDs.

Not every book is available for use on all computers or MP3 players. You can find out more, including the brands of MP3 players and iPods that are supported, at: <http://www.nh.lib.overdrive.com>

Help Keep Rodgers Memorial Library Beautiful !!

We have had a couple of cleaning challenges in the past months. A wall in the community room had prominent marks in several places -- at child height; and also, more recently, someone colored the purple window seat in the Children's Department with blue permanent marker (we keep markers for staff but not public use).

This is a beautiful new building and we are so grateful to have such a wonderful facility for the citizens of Hudson. It took 35 years to make this dream come true. Please take pride in your library. Supervise children under your care so that we can keep Rodgers Memorial Library a beautiful place to visit and enjoy by everyone.

Hot New Books

Half the Sky Nicholas Kristof & Sheryl Wu -Dunn

Dexter by Design Jeff Lindsay



Culture of Corruption Michelle Malkin

Alex Cross's Trial James Patterson

206 Bones Kathy Reichs

The Last Song Nicholas Sparks

(some may be available as audio books)

ADULT & YOUTH SERVICES

by Amy Friedman

Celebrate Teen Read Week Read Beyond Reality

October 18-24 is *Teen Read Week* and teens all over America are invited to *Read Beyond Reality @ Your Library*. Come by the library to borrow "out of this world" books, films and graphic novels. Travel to new worlds with our large selection of fantasy and science fiction materials here at the library. Stop by the reference desk for a list of suggested titles.

Any middle or high school students who bring their overdue materials to the Circulation Desk staff during *Teen Read Week* can request to have the fines on the returned materials cancelled.

Middle and high school students who stop by the Reference Desk during this week will receive a raffle ticket for a chance to win an out of this world prize.

Out Of This World Movie Marathon Saturday, October 24 All Day!

Inspired by this year's *Teen Read Week* theme *Read Beyond Reality* we are holding a marathon of movies for all ages that take you "out of this world". Spend the day at the library enjoying these films in our community room. Refreshments will be served.

9:10 a.m. *Zathura* PG
11:00 a.m. *Coraline* PG
1:00 p.m. *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* PG
3:00 p.m. *Planet of the Apes* (original version) PG

Free Movie Night October 8 Coraline

Come to the library on Thursday, October 8 at 6:30 to see *Coraline*, based on Neil Gaiman's award winning story of a girl who finds a "perfect" world that is not all that it seems. A great film for adults, teens and older kids to enjoy together.

The performance license for *Free Movie Nights* is made possible by the Friends of the Library. Check our newsletter and website, rodgerslibrary.org, to find information on upcoming films.

Games Night For All Ages Thursday, October 15

Come to the library on Thursday, October 15 from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 for an evening of games. We have *Apples to Apples*, Chess, *Scrabble*, *Monopoly*, and more. Games for young children are available too or you can bring a favorite game from home. Refreshments will be served.

We will be holding *Games Night* the third Thursday of each month. A great activity for the whole family!

Check Out A Game To Play At The Library

The Reference Department has a variety of tabletop games that can be played in the library. Hang out with a friend after school, or enjoy your retirement with a friend. It's fun and challenging.

Book Donations

The library is currently accepting donations of *current popular fiction* for the book sale shelf in the library.

The Friends of the Hudson Library accept donations of children's books, nonfiction, older fiction and Harlequin type romance novels. We are sorry that we cannot accept old text books, out of date computer manuals or other books that are not in saleable condition. Donations may be dropped off at the Rodgers Library.

Afternoon & Evening Book Discussions: A Thousand Splendid Suns

The afternoon book group will meet Tuesday, October 20 at 1:30 p.m. and the evening book group will meet October 27 at 7 p.m.

The afternoon book discussion group meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m., the evening book discussion group meets on the fourth Tuesday at 7 p.m. The books are available at the circulation desk. Call 886-6030 for more information or to add your name to our book group mailing list.

Future Book Discussion Titles

November 17 & 24

A Long way gone: memoir of a boy soldier by Ishmael Beah

December

No Book Discussion

January 19 & 26

The Source by James Michener